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For : GENE ENCODING NADE, P75^{NTR}-ASSOCIATED CELL DEATH
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**SECOND PRELIMINARY
AMENDMENT AND COMMUNICATION IN
REPLY TO AUGUST 22, 2000 NOTICE TO COMPLY WITH REQUIREMENTS
FOR PATENT APPLICATIONS CONTAINING NUCLEOTIDE SEQUENCE AND/OR
AMINO ACID SEQUENCE DISCLOSURES UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.821-§1.825
AND PETITION FOR A FOUR-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME**

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Claims

Please add new claims 131, 132 and 133 as follows:

131. (New) A monoclonal antibody directed to an epitope of a polypeptide capable of binding p75^{NTR} receptor.
132. (New) A method of producing a polypeptide capable of binding p75^{NTR} receptor which comprises:
- (a) inserting a nucleic acid molecule encoding the polypeptide capable of binding p75^{NTR} receptor into a suitable vector;
- (b) introducing the resulting vector into a suitable host cell;